

CITY OF WEBSTER GROVES
March 20, 2018

The City Council met this date in a regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall at #4 E. Lockwood at 7:35 p.m.

Present at Roll Call: Mayor Gerry Welch
Councilmember Toni Hunt
Councilmember Greg Mueller
Councilmember Ken Burns
Councilmember Matt Armstrong
Councilmember Bud Bellomo

Absent at Roll Call: Councilmember Frank Janoski

A quorum was present.

Also present: Mr. Steve Wylie, City Manager
Mr. Nathan Nickolaus, Acting City Attorney
Ms. Katie Nakazono, City Clerk

RECOGNITION

The Mayor and City Council recognized Director of Public Works, Paul Verheyen, on his upcoming retirement.

REMARKS OF VISITORS

Becky Morgan, 1510 Pinetree Ln., spoke on behalf of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America. She asked that the Council decide to let the Mayor join Mayors Against Illegal Guns.

Marshall Poger, 302 McDonald Place, asked what the plan is for the use of the YMCA property and if it has been approved by Council. Mayor Welch stated that there is an approved plan for the site and if he contacts the department of Planning and Development, they will share the plan. It is currently on hold because there has been a lawsuit filed against the City, YMCA, and developer and that needs to be settled first.

Martha Valenta, 708 Cornell, spoke about vacant investor-owned houses in her neighborhood. One has been vacant, dilapidated, and getting worse for at least ten years. She stated that she spoke with Mara Perry at length and knows there are state and federal things we are up against, but if we press, then we have a chance to make a difference. There are also a lot of vacant lots the City owns that we are paying to maintain. I'd like them to be made into parks and useful space, or sold and have houses built on them. She also asked if the City could livestream Council meetings on Facebook and help bring the government to the people. The curbs at Thornton and Lorraine Davis are ninety degrees, and the others are sloped, and I am just waiting for someone to trip, fall, and sue the City.

Margaret McAuliffe, 30 Joy, thanked the Mayor and Councilmembers, and those throwing their hat in the ring for their service. I'd like to also thank Toni Hunt and Greg Mueller for their service. I'd like to especially thank Councilman Mueller for the intelligence and integrity he has shown facing some very

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difficult, sometimes even unpopular issues. As a member of the audience, and as a nurse married to a high school teacher, I am very happy we have someone of his caliber that knows the law and who has the integrity to stand up for people like myself to the \$400 other attorneys in the audience representing either developers or other institutions. So thank you, and thank you to your family for all the time you have spent on our behalf.

NEW BUSINESS – MAYOR, COUNCILMEMBERS, CITY ATTORNEY, CITY MANAGER

None.

NEW BUSINESS

BILL #9012 – FIRST AND SECOND READING

Councilmember Bellomo introduced **BILL #9012 - ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TERMINATING TAX INCREMENT FINANCING WITHIN THE REDEVELOPMENT AREA DESCRIBED IN THE TAX INCREMENT REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE SHOPPERS AT OLD WEBSTER; FROM THE SPECIAL ALLOCATION FUND CREATED THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS RELATED THERETO**, and at the Councilmember's request, the Bill was read twice, first and second times by title only, and placed on the agenda for future consideration of the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilmember Armstrong, seconded by Councilmember Mueller, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Welch called for the vote on the Consent Agenda.

MEMBERS VOTING:

AYES: HUNT, MUELLER, BURNS, ARMSTRONG, BELLOMO, WELCH

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: JANOSKI

Mayor Welch stated that the Consent Agenda was approved.

The following consent agenda was approved:

- **Approval of Minutes** – March 6, 2018
- **Resolution #2018-15** – Amending the Budget for Fiscal Year 2018
- **Liquor License** – Application for a Temporary Liquor License for Mary Queen of Peace Parish, 680 W. Lockwood Ave., to Sell Beer and Wine by the Drink for Consumption on the Premises Where Sold at Their Fish Fry on March 23, 2018
- **Liquor License** – Application for Maypop Coffee & Garden Shop, 803 Marshall Avenue, to Sell Liquor for Consumption on the Premises Where Sold, and on Sundays, a License to Sell Original Package Liquor Not to be Consumed on the Premises, and on Sundays, and a Liquor Tastings Permit for the Premises

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

- Gary Schoenberger was appointed to the Old Webster Special Business District Advisory Commission.
- Christopher Michael was appointed to the Plan Commission.
- Jon Spiesman was reappointed to the Business Development Commission.
- Joan Esserman was reappointed to the Library Board.

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EXECUTIVE (CLOSED) SESSION

No Executive (Closed) Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m. on motion of the Mayor, duly seconded.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of April 2018.

Berry Shear
MAYOR

[Signature]
CITY CLERK

